



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Confirmation No.: Unknown

GIROUARD et al.

Group Art Unit: 3618

Appln. No.: 09/472,134

Examiner: Anne Marie Boehler

Filed: December 23, 1999

Title: SNOWMOBILE

May 22, 2002

## **AMENDMENT**

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated January 22, 2002, please amend the above identified application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 9, first full paragraph, please delete this paragraph in its entirety and replace it with the following:

A drive track 120, which is operatively connected to the engine, is positioned below frame 114. Drive track 120 is a continuous belt that runs around a number of axles including a forward-most axle 121 that is obscured by fairings 122 in FIG. 2 (but is illustrated in FIGS.

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VP-178). Porward-most axle 121 of snowmobile 110 is at or near the center of gravity 144 of 110.00 CH snowmobile 110 with the rider, as would be understood by those skilled in the art. Further

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## REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

May 22, 2002 Date:

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This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

1. Small Entity claim  A. NOT made  B. Withdrawn  C. made herewith  D. made previously  For B & C See Required Separate Paper (Pat-256)	Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for		Present Extra	Large/Small Entity	Additional Fee	Fee Code Lg/Sm
	82	**minus	87	0	x \$18/\$9 =	+ \$0	103/203
2. Total Effective Claims	29	***minus	27	2	x \$84/\$42 =	+ \$168	102/202
3. Independent Claims 29 ***minus   27   2						+ \$0	104/204
5 Original due Date: April 22, 2002 NONE							115/215
6. <b>Petition is hereby made</b> to extend the original due (1 mo) date to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is attached (2 mos) (3 mos) (3 mos) (3 mos) (3 mos) (440/\$720 = \$1,440/\$720 = \$1,440/\$720 = \$1,960/\$980 = (Usable only for 30 day/1mo.OA 5 mos) (1,960/\$980 = \$1,960/\$980 = (1,960/\$980 = \$1,960/\$980 = (1,960/\$980 = \$1,960/\$980 = (1,960/\$980 = \$1,960/\$980 = (1,960/\$980 = \$1,960/\$980 = (1,960/\$980 = \$1,960/\$980 = (1,960/\$980 = \$1,960/\$980 = (1,960/\$980 = \$1,960/\$980 = (1,960/\$980 = \$1,960/\$980 = (1,960/\$980 = \$1,960/\$980 = (1,960/\$980 = \$1,960/\$980 = (1,960/\$980 = \$1,960/\$980 = (1,960/\$980 = (1,960/\$980 = 1,960/\$980 = (1,960/\$9							115/215 116/216 117/217 118/218 128/228
7. Enter any previous extension fee paid since above original due date and subtract - \$0							
extension ree						+ \$110	10/040
0. If Terminal Disclaimer attached, add Rule 20(d) official fee						+ \$0	148/248
10. If IDS attached requires Official Fee under Rule 97 (c), add + \$180 or if Rule 97(d) Request + \$740/37						+ \$0	126 126
11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r) +\$740/						+ \$0	146/246
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b)					x \$740/370 ea	+ \$0	149/249
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) + \$740/370						+ \$0	1179/1279
14 Polition fee for						+ \$0	<u> </u>
15. TOTAL FEE =						\$278	
16. *If the entry in this space is less than entry in next space, the "Present Extra" result is "0".  17. **If the "Highest number previously paid for" in this space is less than 20, write "20" in this space.  18. ***If the "Highest number previously paid for" in this space is less than 3, write "3" in this space.  Our Deposit Account No. 03-3975)						PLEASE CHARGE OUR DEP. ACCT.	

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This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal sheet is filed.

Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately

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NOTE: File this cover sheet in duplicate with PTO receipt (PAT-103A) and attachments

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